IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA

DERRICK JERVON LINDSAY EL)	
BEY,)	
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	Plaintiff,)	
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	V.)	1:19CV163
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KEVIN BRIDGES, et al.,)	
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	Defendant(s).)	

ORDER AND RECOMMENDATION OF UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

Plaintiff, a prisoner of the State of North Carolina, submitted a civil rights action pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 1983. The form of the Complaint is such that serious flaws make it impossible to further process the Complaint. The problems are:

- 1. The filing fee was not received nor was a proper affidavit to proceed *in forma* pauperis submitted, with sufficient information completed or signed by Plaintiff, to permit review.
- 2. To the extent that Plaintiff may seek to proceed *in forma pauperis*, pursuant to the Prison Litigation Reform Act, Plaintiff may no longer proceed *in forma pauperis* in this Court unless he is under imminent danger of serious physical injury. The Act provides that:

In no event shall a prisoner bring a civil action or appeal a judgment in a civil action or proceeding under this section if the prisoner has, on 3 or more prior occasions, while incarcerated or detained in any facility, brought an action or appeal in a court of the United States that was dismissed on the grounds that it is frivolous, malicious, or fails to state a claim upon which relief may be granted, unless the prisoner is under imminent danger of serious physical injury.

28 U.S.C. § 1915(g). The United States District Court for the Western District of North Carolina previously found that Plaintiff falls under this provision and

can no longer proceed *in forma pauperis* when filing cases under § 1983 unless he demonstrates imminent danger of serious physical injury. <u>Lindsay v. Smith</u>, No. 3:15-cv-326-FDW (W.D.N.C. Aug. 4, 2015) (unpublished). Therefore, Plaintiff must demonstrate such danger or pay the \$400.00 filing fee. His current Complaint does not allege any such danger.

Consequently, the Complaint should be dismissed, but without prejudice to Plaintiff filing a new complaint, on the proper § 1983 forms, which corrects the defects of the present Complaint. To further aid Plaintiff, the Clerk is instructed to send Plaintiff new § 1983 forms, instructions, an application to proceed *informa pauperis*, and a copy of pertinent parts of Fed. R. Civ. P. 8 (*i.e.*, Sections (a) & (d)).

In forma pauperis status is granted for the sole purpose of entering this Order and Recommendation.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that *in forma pauperis* status is granted for the sole purpose of entering this Order and Recommendation. The Clerk is instructed to send Plaintiff § 1983 forms, instructions, an application to proceed *in forma pauperis*, and a copy of pertinent parts of Fed. R. Civ. P. 8 (*i.e.*, Sections (a) & (d)).

IT IS RECOMMENDED that this action be filed and dismissed *sua sponte* without prejudice to Plaintiff filing a new complaint, on the proper § 1983 forms, which corrects the defects cited above.

This, the 14th day of February, 2019.

/s/ L. Patrick Auld
L. Patrick Auld
United States Magistrate Judge